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HOSPITAL AND TRAINING-SCHOOL ITEMS

HOSPITALS

THE New York State Hospital for the Care of Crippled and Deformed Children, at West Haverstraw, is not being patronized by the people of the State as it should be, probably because many poor people do not know of this means of securing treatment for their deformed children. There is a fund for the transportation of children from the country districts. The classes of cases treated last year were hip joint disease, knee joint disease, major deformities of infantile paralysis, Pott's disease of the spine, humpback, congenital dislocation of the hip joint, bow legs, club-foot, congenital and acquired, and curvature of the spine. It is estimated that there are many hundred children in the State who should be under treatment in this hospital, and would be but for the indifference or ignorance of their parents.

BY the will of the late Mrs. Rebecca A. Green $100,000 has been left to the Salem Hospital, Salem, Mass., to endow a fund to be known as the "Charles Allen Brown Fund" in memory of the donor's father.

A GIFT by an unknown donor of $50,000 has been promised the Williamsburg Hospital, Williamsburg, L. I., on condition that interested parties raise a like amount.

THE Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago has recently spent $25,000 in remodelling. Most of this being used to put in thoroughly up-to-date plumbing in the bath-rooms and nurses service rooms.

THE Samaritan Hospital of Troy, N. Y., graduated the following young ladies on January 30: Misses Anna Stockburger, Gladys Christopher, Minnie Gribble, Winifred Marsh, Katherine Ross, Alice Maud Curtis, Blanch Welsh, Alice Carey Whitehead, Emma Krause. The address was given by Dr. Blummer, of Providence, R. I., which was both pleasing and instructive. The valedictory given by Miss Gribble was thoroughly enjoyed by all. A reception followed the exercises.

A DIET kitchen has recently been fitted up in the hospital proper of the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, where the pupils of the school are instructed in invalid cookery. At the time of organization of the school, in 1903, it was impossible to arrange for a diet kitchen in the hospital proper. On this account and also to try the method in use in a few schools in tne country the kitchen of the nurses home was utilized to instruct in cooking. This was found satisfactory for a time, but upon the increase of the family to fifty then a hundred, its educational value was lost and the drudgery of it, for pupils and instructors, were too evident. Without drudgery none of us can develop but in this case it became out of proportion, and it is with much satisfaction to the officers of the school that this change has been accomplished.

THE graduating exercises of the Shreveport Sanitarium Training School for Nurses took place in the parlors of the Sanitarium, on December 7, 1905. A

very interesting program was carried out, and diplomas were awarded the two graduates, Misses Josephine Dutton and Daisy Hodge.

TRAINING SCHOOL ITEMS

ON February 7, the Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, held graduating exercises, the address being given by Prof. Brackett, who dwelt upon the valuable aid nurses should contribute in educating the public in regard to all questions of public health and social uplift of the masses, the graduates were:

THREE YEARS' COURSE

Cora E. P. Ellis	Mabel Folkins
Olive M. Sill	Frances P. West
Carrie D. Hall	Kathleen D. Shaw
Helen B. Fenton	Mary L. Gray
Iphigenia A. Smith	Helen L. Redfern
Georgie O. Cadman	Mary E. Knapp
Eva N. Mullins	Ella W. Brigham
Jessie E. Grant	Ethel E. Chute

THIRTEEN MONTHS' POST-GRADUATE COURSE

Margaret E. Manning	Rose E. Israel
Margaret E. Dexter	Minnie J. MacGregor
Charlotte Dewar	Margaret S. Belyea
Grace E. Fowle	Leda A. Spaulding
Florence S. Cooke	Josephine Stentiford

Each member of the nursing staff of the Visiting Nurse Association of Chicago has recently been made a probation officer of the Juvenile Court of that city.

Mr. John S. Kennedy, president of the managers of the Presbyterian Hospital, New York, closes his annual report this year with the following:

If our Hospital had no reason for its existence beyond the relief of individual suffering and the cure of individual disease it would still play an important part in the philanthropic activities of the community. It is this part of its work to which public attention has been and is largely directed, and it is this part of its work which, in the minds of most people, constitutes the chief reason for its existence. This is a very narrow view to take. Great as is its service to the community in this particular, it is only a small part of the service which it really renders.

It is as an educational institution, an institution through which alone doctors and nurses can be trained, and through which alone medical science can be advanced, that our Hospital, like others under equally enlightened management, has its chief claim upon the public. It is only by providing hospitals where the art of healing can be practically taught that doctors and nurses can be prepared for their ministrations of mercy, whether to the rich, who can afford to pay in money, or to the poor, whose only recompense is thankfulness, and it is only by providing such hospitals that medical and surgical science has made the marvellous advance which we have witnessed in our generation, and which it is hoped only presages the progress still to come.

Miss Hicks, a missionary nurse on her way to the Philippines, was able to spend a day or two in Shanghai. Commenting upon the visit she writes: "I was delighted with all I saw at St. John's College and St. Luke's Hospital, Shanghai. Miss Farnam and I lunched with Bishop Graves on Sunday and saw everything, and came away with the feeling that the church should be proud of St. John's and all who are working there. We attended the Chinese service in the college chapel and it was thrilling."

Miss Emma C. Johnson is going to Valdez, Alaska, as missionary nurse. She has had, besides the nurse's training, a year's deaconess training and will assist Miss Deane at the Good Samaritan Hospital.

Miss Etha Butcher, missionary nurse at Jhansi, India, is soon to be married, and is only waiting the arrival of a substitute to give up her work.

Alumnæ Associations sending contributions towards the purchase of shares in the AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING by the Nurses' Associated Alumnæ, are requested to send checks and make them payable to Miss Anna Davids, Treas., Williamsburg Road, Richmond Hill, L. I. Associations wishing to invest in shares themselves should make application to Miss Isabelle McIsaac, Bentor Harbor, Mich. It is hoped there will be a prompt response, enabling the committee to make an encouraging report at the Detroit convention.

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